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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 21-0844 **Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Rankin

Rep. McCluskie

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Bill Topic: COLORADO AVALANCHE INFORMATION CENTER FUND APPROPS

Summary of **Fiscal Impact:**

Budget package bill — no fiscal impact. The bill continuously appropriates funding from the State Highway Fund to the Colorado Avalanche Information Center. It is

assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

Currently, all money in the Colorado Avalanche Information Center (CAIC) Fund is subject to annual appropriation by the General Assembly to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for direct and indirect costs associated with the CAIC. Pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement between the DNR and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), State Highway Fund money that is continuously appropriated to CDOT is credited to the CAIC Fund to provide funding to the CAIC for work associated with the Highway Avalanche Safety Program in reducing avalanche risk on state highways. Beginning in FY 2021-22, the bill continuously appropriates this State Highway Fund money to the DNR for the CAIC's costs associated with the Highway Avalanche Safety Program.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

The bill continuously appropriates existing funding to the CAIC in the DNR. It will not increase or decrease state or local revenue or expenditures and has been assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 30, 2021.

State and Local Government Contacts

Joint Budget Committee **Natural Resources** Transportation